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Petition for a One Month Extension of Time

Applicants herewith petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to Extend the time for reply to the Non-final Office Action mailed December 04, 2002 for one (1) month from January 04, 2003 up to and including February 04, 2003. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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